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CULTURE
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Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

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1259. SHRI DHANANJAY MAHADIK:
SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:
DR. HEENA VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT:
SHRI MOHITE PATIL VIJAYSINH SHANKARRAO:
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:
DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to launch Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat scheme in which every State will choose one State each year to promote its culture and language;
(b) if so, the details thereof and the objective behind the move along with its salient features;
(c) whether the Government has formed a Committee to prepare its modalities and if so, the details thereof;
(d) whether the Committee has given its report and if so, the details thereof;
(e) the time by which the scheme is likely to be launched; and
(f) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to bridge the cultural gap in the country and enhance interaction between people living in different States?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR CULTURE & TOURISM AND
MINISTER OF STATE FOR CIVIL AVIATION
(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

ANSWER

(a) No, Madam.

(b)to(e) Do not arise.

(f) Zonal Cultural Centres under Ministry of Culture are organizing National Cultural Exchange Programmes (NCEP) all over India to develop and promote the rich diversity and uniqueness of various arts of India and to upgrade and enrich consciousness of the people about their cultural heritage. The North-East Zone Cultural Center is also organizing Octave festival of North-East in other parts of the country for promotion of the rich cultural heritage of the region. This programmes help to enhance interaction between people living in different states.

Centre for Cultural Resources and Training (CCRT) under Ministry of Culture organizes variety of training programmes for teachers and workshops and camps for students belonging to various parts of the country. CCRT has imparted training to 156349 teachers belonging to various parts of the country. 673508 students have been enriched with interstate cultural understanding and ethos of the country.

Other organizations under Ministry of Culture viz. Sangeet Natak Akademi, Sahitya Akademi and Lalit Kala Akademi conduct various activities like National Camps, National Exhibition of Art, Camps, workshops, cultural performances, symposia, poets' meets, etc. throughout the country.

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